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1. BURAKOW ONGOING ASSIGNMENT. ONE TOPIC I NEGLECTED TO MENTION TO THE AMBASSADOR IN HIS PREDEPARTURE RUSH, AND WHICH I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR BRINGING TO HIS ATTENTION, IS THE FACT THAT NICK BURAKOW NEEDS TO BE INSERTED NOW INTO THE ASSIGNMENT PROCESS FOR A MOSCOW JOB NEXT YEAR, SINCE SELECTIONS FOR LANGUAGE TRAINING THIS FALL ARE BEING MADE AT THIS VERY MOMENT. INEXPERIENCED AND MODEST AS HE IS IN BUREAUCRATICS, HE HAS ONLY RECENTLY REALIZED THIS, AND I SHOULD HAVE DONE SO SOONER. HE IS, OF COURSE, FLUENT IN RUSSIAN AND WOULD NOT NEED LANGUAGE TRAINING (THUS SAVING USG SOME MONEY); HE IS CAPABLE, AS THE AMBASSADOR KNOWS; I RECOMMEND HIM HIGHLY; HE IS GOING NEXT WEEK TO TOOT HIS OWN HORN, IN CHARACTERISTICALLY MUTED FASHION; AND ALTHOUGH HE WOULD PREFER (AND BE MOST APT FOR) A FULL ASSIGNMENT IN THE ECONOMIC SECTION, HE IS AMENABLE TO MOST OF THE USUAL ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS. I SHALL BE WRITING MARK GARRISON, HIS PUTATIVE DCM, BUT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR THE AMBASSADOR TO MAKE THESE POINTS AS SOON AS

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POSSIBLE, IF HE FINDS THIS APPROPRIATE.

2. JOINT DECLARATION NEGOTIATIONS. ALTHOUGH YOU HAVE BETTER THINGS TO DO THAN WRITE US STATUS REPORTS, YOU MUST KNOW WE ARE AWAITING RESULTS WITH EAGER ANTICIPATION.

3. HUNGARIAN MFN. SIDNEY WEYLAND OF REUTERS TELLS US HE WAS TOLD BY AMBEMBASSY BUDAPEST THAT THE HUNGARIANS WILL NOT HAVE ANNUAL REVIEW OF THEIR MFN TREATMENT, AND MADE US REALIZE WE HAVE NEVER GOTTEN A FULL READOUT ON THE FORMULA WORKED OUT AND THE ACTUAL CONDITIONS INVOLVED. IT COULD BE OF SOME EVENTUAL IMPORTANCE, SO WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING YOU COULD LET US HAVE.

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